

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

#### 1. SUBSTANCE AND SOURCE IDENTIFICATION

**Product Identifier** 

SRM Number: 1746

**SRM Name:** Silver Freezing-Point Standard **Other Means of Identification:** Not applicable.

#### Recommended Use of This Material and Restrictions of Use

This Standard Reference Material (SRM) is intended for use as one of the defining fixed points of temperature. The temperature value of 961.780 °C is assigned to the freezing point of pure silver. The fixed point is realized as the plateau temperature (or liquidus point) of the freezing curve of slowly frozen high-purity silver. The metal is in the form of millimeter-size "shot" and is provided in 300 g units in Mylar envelopes in an atmosphere of argon.

# **Company Information**

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#### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### Classification

**Physical Hazard:** Not classified. **Health Hazard:** Not classified.

#### **Label Elements**

#### **Symbol**

No symbol/No pictogram.

# **Signal Word**No signal word.

**Hazard Statement(s):** Not applicable.

Precautionary Statement(s): Not applicable.

Hazards Not Otherwise Classified: Not applicable.

**Ingredients(s) with Unknown Acute Toxicity:** Not applicable.

# 3. COMPOSITION AND INFORMATION ON HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS

Substance: Silver

Other Designations: Algaedyn; argentum; silver atom; silver element; Ag; silver metal.

Components are listed in compliance with OSHA's 29 CFR 1910.1200.

Hazardous Component(s)	CAS Number	EC Number (EINECS)	Nominal Mass Concentration (%)
Silver	7440-22-4	231-131-3	100

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#### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

### **Description of First Aid Measures**

**Inhalation:** If adverse effects occur, remove to well-ventilated (uncontaminated) area. If not breathing, qualified personnel should give artificial respiration. Seek immediate medical attention.

**Skin Contact:** Rinse affected skin with water for at least 15 minutes, then wash thoroughly with soap or mild detergent and water. If skin irritation persists, seek medical aid and bring the container or label.

**Eye Contact:** Immediately flush eyes, including under the eyelids, with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes.

**Ingestion:** If a large amount is swallowed, get medical attention.

Most Important Symptoms/Effects, Acute and Delayed: May cause mild or mechanical eye, skin, or respiratory tract irritation.

**Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed, if necessary:** If any of the above symptoms are present, seek immediate medical attention.

#### 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

**Fire and Explosion Hazards:** Neglible fire hazard in millimeter shot form. Dust/air mixtures may ignite or explode. See Section 9, "Physical and Chemical Properties" for flammability properties.

#### **Extinguishing Media**

Suitable: Regular dry chemical, dolomite, carbon dioxide, or alcohol-resistant foam.

Unsuitable: Water.

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical: Not applicable.

**Special Protective Equipment and Precautions for Fire-Fighters:** Move container from fire area if it can be done without personal risk. Avoid inhalation of material or combustion by-products. Wear full protective clothing and NIOSH-approved self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA).

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NFPA Ratings (0 = Minimal; 1 = Slight; 2 = Moderate; 3 = Serious; 4 = Severe)
Health = 2 Fire = 3 Reactivity = 0
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#### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures:** Use suitable protective equipment; see Section 8, "Exposure Controls and Personal Protection". Keep out of waters supplies and sewers.

Methods and Materials for Containment and Clean up: Collect in appropriate container for disposal.

#### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Safe Handling Precautions:** Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas. See Section 8, "Exposure Controls and Personal Protection".

**Storage and Incompatible Materials:** Store in a well-ventilated area. Keep separated from incompatible substances (see Section 10, "Stability and Reactivity").

# 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### **Exposure Limits**

OSHA (PEL): 0.01 mg/m<sup>3</sup> TWA – dust NIOSH (REL): 0.01 mg/m<sup>3</sup> TWA – dust

10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> IDLH – dust

ACGIH (TLV): 0.1 mg/m<sup>3</sup> TWA – dust and fume

**Engineering Controls:** Provide local exhaust or process enclosure ventilation system. Ensure compliance with applicable exposure limits.

**Personal Protection Measures:** In accordance with OSHA 29 CFR 1910.132, subpart I, wear appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to minimize exposure to this material.

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**Respiratory Protection:** If workplace conditions warrant a respirator, a respiratory protection program that meets OSHA 29CFR 1910.134 must be followed. Refer to NIOSH 42 CFR 84 for applicable certified respirators.

Eye Protection: Splash resistant safety goggles and emergency eyewash are recommended.

**Skin and Body Protection:** Chemical resistant clothing and gloves are recommended.

# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Properties	Silver			
Molar Mass (g/mol)	107.868			
Molecular Formula	Ag			
Appearance (physical state, color, etc.)	white, lustrous solid			
Odor	not available			
Odor threshold	not available			
рН	not available			
Evaporation rate	not available			
Melting point/freezing point	962 °C (1764 °F)			
Relative Density (water = 1)	not available			
Density	10.5 g/cc			
Vapor Pressure	100 mmHg at 1865 °C			
Vapor Density (air = 1)	not available			
Viscosity	not available			
Solubilities	Insoluble: water, salt solutions; Soluble in: nitric acid, hot sulfuric acid; potassium cyanide solutions, alkali hydroxide solutions. Alkali cyanide solution.			
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water)	not available			
Particle size	millimeter			
Thermal Stability Properties				
Autoignition Temperature	not available			
Thermal Decomposition	not available			
Initial boiling point and boiling range	2122 °C (3852 °F)			
Explosive Limits, LEL (Volume %)	not available			
Explosive Limits, UEL (Volume %)	not available			
Flash Point (Closed Cup)	not available			
Flammability (solid, gas)	not available			
10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY				
<b>Reactivity:</b> Stable at normal temperatures and pressure.				
Stability: X Stable Unstable				
Possible Hazardous Reactions: Not applicable.				
Conditions to Avoid: Avoid generating dust. Avoid heat, flames, sparks and other sources of ignition.				
<b>Incompatible Materials:</b> Combustible materials, bases, halo carbons, halogens, peroxides, acids, oxidizing materials.				

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X Will Not Occur

Hazardous Decomposition: Miscellaneous decomposition products.

**Hazardous Polymerization:** 

# 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION Inhalation X Skin **Route of Exposure:** X X Ingestion Symptoms Related to the Physical, Chemical and Toxicological Characteristics: Irritation of skin, eye or respiratory tract may occur. Potential Health Effects (Acute, Chronic, and Delayed) **Inhalation:** May cause irritation. Inhalation of dust may cause localized argyria. **Skin Contact:** May cause irritation and localized argyria. Eye Contact: Contact may cause irritation and localized argyria. **Ingestion:** May cause irritation. **Numerical Measures of Toxicity** Acute Toxicity: Not classified. Rat, Oral, LD50: >2000 mg/kg Skin Corrosion/Irritation: Not classified. Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation: Not classified; no data available. **Respiratory Sensitization:** Not classified; no data available. **Skin Sensitization:** Not classified; no data available. **Germ Cell Mutagenicity:** Not classified; no data available. Carcinogenicity: Not classified. Listed as a Carcinogen/Potential Carcinogen Yes Silver is not listed by IARC, NTP or OSHA as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen. Turmorigenic data: Rat, Implant TDLo: 2400 mg/kg **Reproductive Toxicity:** Not classified; no data available. STOT, Single Exposure: Not classified; no data available. STOT, Repeated Exposure: Not classified; no data available. **Aspiration Hazard:** Not applicable. 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION **Ecotoxicity Data:** Fish: Fathead minnow (Pimephales promelas) LD50: 0.00155 tp 0.00293 mg/L (96 h) [static]. Invertebrate: Water flea (*Daphnia magna*) EC50: 0.00024 mg/L (48 h) [static]. Persistence and Degradability: No data available. Bioaccumulative Potential: No data available. Mobility in Soil: No data available. Other Adverse effects: No data available. 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS Waste Disposal: Dispose in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local regulations. Dispose of in accordance with US EPA 40 CFR 262 for concentrations at or above the regulatory level, 5 mg/L.

**U.S. DOT and IATA:** This material is not regulated by DOT or IATA.

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#### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

#### **U.S. Regulations**

CERCLA Sections 102a/103 (40 CFR 302.4): 1000 lb (454 kg) final RQ (no reporting releases of this hazardous substance is required if the diameter of the pieces of the solid metal released is  $> 100 \mu m$ ).

SARA Title III Section 302 (40 CFR 355.30): Not regulated.

SARA Title III Section 304 (40 CFR 355.40): Not regulated.

SARA Title III Section 313 (40 CFR 372.65): 1 % de minimis concentration.

OSHA Process Safety (29 CFR 1910.119): Not regulated.

SARA Title III Sections 311/312 Hazardous Categories (40 CFR 370.21):

ACUTE HEALTH: No CHRONIC HEALTH: No FIRE: No REACTIVE: No PRESSURE: No

#### **State Regulations**

California Proposition 65: Not regulated.

**U.S. TSCA Inventory:** Silver is listed.

TSCA 12(b), Export Notification: Not listed.

Canadian Regulations: WHMIS Information is not provided for this material.

#### 16. OTHER INFORMATION

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Sources: ChemADVISOR, Inc., SDS Silver, 20 March 2015.

#### **Key of Acronyms:**

ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists	NTP	National Toxicology Program
CAS CERCLA	Chemical Abstracts Service	OSHA PEL	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act	PEL	Permissible Exposure Limit
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations	RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
DOT	Department of Transportation	REL	Recommended Exposure Limit
EINECS	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical	RQ	Reportable Quantity
	Substances		
EPCRA	Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act	RTECS	Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer	SARA	Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act
IATA	International Air Transportation Agency	SCBA	Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus
IDLH	Immediately Dangerous to Life and Health	SRM	Standard Reference Material
LC50	Lethal Concentration	STOT	Specific Target Organ Toxicity
LD50	Median Lethal Dose or Lethal Dose, 50 %	STEL	Short Term Exposure Limit
LEL	Lower Explosive Limit	TLV	Threshold Limit Value
MSDS	Material Safety Data Sheet	TPQ	Threshold Planning Quantity
NFPA	National Fire Protection Association	TSCA	Toxic Substances Control Act
NIOSH	National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health	TWA	Time Weighted Average
NIST	National Institute of Standards and Technology	UEL	Upper Explosive Limit
n.o.s.	Not Otherwise Specified	WHMIS	Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System

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